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Applicant: Schetky et al.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims		Extra				Additional Claims Fee
	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Claims Present	Rate			
Total Claims:	31	-	49	=	0	x	\$50.00 = \$0.00
Independent Claims:	6	-	11	=	0	x	\$200.00 = \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+	\$360.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS FEE TOTAL	=	\$0.00

[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$450.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00	\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:	\$0.00
[] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$130.00	\$0.00
	CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL:	\$0.00
[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
	Extension Fees Previously Paid:	\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:	\$0.00

If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated 05/18/2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: